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(C) Acting PolCouns delivered ref A demarche to Counselor Jamal Shamayleh of the Foreign Ministry's International Organizations Department on June 13 in conjunction with Australian Ambassador to Jordan Trevor Peacock. Shamayleh said that he understood and agreed with the position of the U.S., Australia and New Zealand on the Draft Declaration of the Rights of Indigenous Peoples. Barring objections from the Foreign Ministry's legal advisor and human rights department, he will write a memo directly to the Foreign Minister advocating GOJ support for the tripartite position in advance of the opening session of the Human Rights Council in Geneva on June 19.

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